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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 22 December 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 and 9-24 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 and 9-24 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 26 February 2002 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

This Action is in regards to the Reply received on 12/22/2005.

Response to Amendment

1. This action is responsive to the application filed on 12/22/2005. Claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 13, and 22 were amended. Claim 8 is cancelled. There are no newly added claims. Claims 1-7, and 9-24 are pending. Claims 1-7, and 9-24 represent a method and apparatus for "Command Line Interface session tool."

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1, 6, 10, 18, 21, 22, 23, and 24 have been carefully considered, but are not deemed fully persuasive. Applicant's arguments are deemed moot in view of the existing ground of rejection as explained here below.

The dependent claims stand rejected as articulated in the First Office Action and all objections not addressed in Applicant's response are herein reiterated.

In response to Applicant's arguments, 37 CFR § 1.11(c) requires applicant to "clearly point out the patentable novelty which he or she thinks the claims present in view of the state of the art disclosed by the references cited or the objections made. He or she must show the amendments avoid such references or objections."

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. **Claims 6, 10-12, 14-17 and 23** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bach et al (Bach), Patent No. 6,141,660, in view of Carino Jr. (Carino), U.S. Patent No. 5,754,841.

Regarding **claim 6**, Batch discloses in an electronic device in communication with a network, a method for interacting with a server, comprising the steps of:

storing a file; parsing the file to decipher information pertaining to CLI commands (*column 17, lines 3-67*).

Sending an update file containing at least one user-defined CLI command to the server (*see Bach, column 10, lines 47-67*).

However, Batch is not specific on receiving a file containing CLI registration information from the server.

In the same field of endeavor, Carino discloses a client where the user places general calland receive results set elements and stages them for display ...or further processing by the client's application [see Carino, column 4, lines 16-27].

Accordingly, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the networking art at the time the invention was made to have incorporated Carino's teachings to use a client received data in a file, with the teachings of Bach, for

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the purpose of "*minimizing effort in developing new applications ...*" as stated by Bach in lines 30-35 of column 4 and to "*promote used of improved techniques for accessing hierarchical data through a client CLI to minimize the effort involved in developing new application programs*"... in lines 31-35 of column 4. By this rationale **claim 6** is rejected.

Regarding **claim 10**, the combination Batch-Carino discloses in an electronic server device in communication with a network, a method for interacting with a database (see *Batch*, *fig. 1*, *items 102*, and *110-112*), comprising the steps of:

receiving a request from a command line interface client (see *Batch*, *column 5*, *lines 35-67*; *column 6*, *lines 1-41*; *fig. 4*, *items 100*, and *403*);

mapping the request to an instance of an object class (see *Carino*, *column 4*, *lines 16-59*);

the object class instance querying the database to respond to the request (see *Batch*, *column 10*, *lines 28-58*);

the object class instance instructing the construction of an outgoing user interface (see *Batch*, *column 16*, *lines 63-67*; *column 17*, *lines 1-67*); and

constructing the outgoing user interface and sending a response to the request of the command line interface client (see *Batch*, *column 16*, *lines 63-67*; *column 17*, *lines 1-67*).

Regarding **claim 11**, the combination Batch-Carino discloses the method of claim 10, wherein the step of receiving a request comprises receiving an interface command from the command line interface client, the interface command being one of a

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predetermined set of interface commands (see *Batch*, column 16, lines 63-67; column 17, lines 1-67).

Regarding **claim 12**, the combination Batch-Carino discloses the method of claim 10, wherein the step of receiving a request comprises receiving an interface command from the command line interface client, the interface command being an interface command provided by the command line interface client (see *Batch*, column 5, lines 35-67; column 6, lines 1-41; fig. 4, items 100, and 403).

Regarding **claim 14**, the combination Batch-Carino discloses the method of claim 10, wherein the step of the object class instance querying the registration service comprises the object class instance pushing results of the request into a context accessible by a server page for constructing the user interface (see *Batch*, column 5, lines 35-67; column 6, lines 1-41; fig. 4, items 100, and 403).

Regarding **claim 15**, the combination Batch-Carino discloses the method of claim 10, wherein the step of instruction the construction of an outgoing user interface comprises a selection of a server page corresponding to the language of the command line interface client request (see *Batch*, column 15, lines 1-28).

Regarding **claim 16**, the combination Batch-Carino discloses the method of claim 10, wherein the request relates to a list of registered applications (see *Batch*, column 5, lines 34-67).

Regarding **claim 17**, the combination Batch-Carino discloses the method of claim 10, wherein the database comprises a registration service (see *Batch*, column 7, lines 53-67).

Regarding **claim 23**, the combination Batch-Carino discloses a computer readable medium containing a software tool for executing a method in an electronic server device in communication with a network for interacting with a database (see *Batch*, fig. 1, items 102, and 110-112), the method comprising the steps of:

receiving a request from a command line interface client (see *Batch*, column 5, lines 35-67; column 6, lines 1-41; fig. 4, items 100, and 403);

mapping the request to an instance of an object class (see *Batch*, column 9, lines 37-67; column 10, lines 1-25);

the object class instance querying the database to respond to the request (see Carino, column 4, lines 16-59);

the object class instance instructing the construction of an outgoing user interface (see *Batch*, column 16, lines 63-67; column 17, lines 1-67); and

constructing the outgoing user interface and sending a response to the request to the command line interface client (see *Batch*, column 16, lines 63-67; column 17, lines 1-67).

5. Claims 1-5, 7, 9, 18-22, and 24- are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bach, and Chen et al (Chen), U.S. Patent No. 6,625,590 B1 in further view of Carino.

Regarding **claim 1**, Bach discloses the invention substantially as claimed. Bach teaches in an electronic server device in communication with a network, a method for interacting with a client, comprising the steps of:

downloading a file containing CLI registration information to the client (*column 10, lines 27-58; column 17, lines 1-12*); and

receiving at least one update from the client (column 11, lines 9-21). However, Bach does not specifically teach an update containing at least one user-defined CLI command.

In the same field of endeavor, Chen discloses “*a client command line Interface to create new Unified Command Interface suitable for other accessing other objects ...*” [see *Chen, column 7, lines 25-42; column 9, lines 2-27*]. Note that in the same field of endeavor, Carino also discloses a client where the user places general calland receive results set elements and stages them for display ...or further processing by the client’s application [see *Carino, column 4, lines 16-59*].

Accordingly, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the networking art at the time the invention was made to have incorporated Chen's teachings to use a client originating CLI command, with the teachings of Bach, for the purpose of “*providing integration of features such as automation, bundling of commands, script processing, and cut-and-paste editing operation in a command prompt user interface...*” as stated by Chen in lines 40-42 of column 1. Bach also provides motivation to combine by promoting used of improved techniques for accessing hierarchical data through a client CLI to minimize the effort involved in developing new application programs...” in lines 31-35 of column 4. By this rationale **claim 1** is rejected.

Regarding **claim 2**, the combination Batch-Carino -Chen discloses the method of claim 1, further comprising storing the at least one user-defined CLI command [see *Bach, column 11, lines 9-21*]. The same motivation used for **claim 1** is also valid for **claim 2** [see Chen, column 1, lines 40-42; see Bach, column 4, lines 31-35]. By this rationale **claim 2** is rejected.

Regarding **claim 3**, the combination Batch-Carino -Chen discloses the method of claim 1, wherein the update comprises at least one update file [see *Chen, column 7, lines 25-42*]. The same motivation used for **claim 1** is also valid for **claim 3** [see Chen, column 1, lines 40-42; see Bach, column 4, lines 31-35]. By this rationale **claim 3** is rejected.

Regarding **claim 4**, the combination Batch-Carino -Chen discloses the method of claim 3, further comprising downloading the at least one update file containing at least one user-defined CLI command to a second client [see *Chen, fig. 2, item 62*; see *Bach, fig. 1, 104*]. The same motivation used for **claim 1** is also valid for **claim 4** [see Chen, column 1, lines 40-42; see Bach, column 4, lines 31-35]. By this rationale **claim 4** is rejected.

Regarding **claim 5**, the combination the combination Batch-Carino -Chen discloses the method of claim 3, wherein the file and the at least one update file are XML files [see *Bach, column 5, lines 35-45; column 11, lines 9-21*]. The same motivation used for **claim 1** is also valid for **claim 5** [see Chen, column 1, lines 40-42; see Bach, column 4, lines 31-35]. By this rationale **claim 5** is rejected.

Regarding **claim 7**, the combination Batch-Carino -Chen discloses the method of claim 1, further comprising establishing an update file containing at least one client originating command [see *Bach*, column 17, lines 3-67]. The same motivation used for **claim 1** is also valid for **claim 7** [see Chen, column 1, lines 40-42; see Bach, column 4, lines 31-35]. By this rationale **claim 7** is rejected.

Regarding **claim 9**, the combination Batch-Carino -Chen discloses the method of claim 1, further comprising receiving an additional file containing CLI registration information comprising a new CLI command from a distinct client [see *Bach*, fig. 1, items 102, 110-112]. The same motivation used for **claim 1** is also valid for **claim 9** [see Chen, column 1, lines 40-42; see Bach, column 4, lines 31-35]. By this rationale **claim 9** is rejected.

Regarding **claim 13**, the combination Batch-Carino -Chen discloses the method of claim 10, wherein the step of mapping comprises the controller servlet mapping the request to the object class instance. Examiner takes notice that the use of a controller servlet for mapping a request to a object class instance is well-known in the art and that it would have been obvious for an ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made, to integrate this mapping techniques into the invention of Bach to obtain the current invention. By this rationale **claim 13** is rejected.

Regarding **claim 18**, the combination Batch-Carino -Chen discloses in an electronic client device, a method for interacting with a server, comprising the steps of:

sending a request from a command line interface of a command line interface client to a server[*fig. 4, item 100, 403; column 5, lines 35-67; column 6, lines 1-41*]; and receiving a response to the request at the command line interface client, such that the command line interface client can present a user with the response [*fig. 4, item 100, 403; column 5, lines 35-67; column 6, lines 1-41*];

wherein the command line interface client utilizes at least one of commands originating at the client [see *Chen, column 7, lines 25-42; column 9, lines 2-27*] and commands originating at the server [see *Bach, column 11, lines 9-21*]. The same motivation used for **claim 1** is also valid for **claim 18** [see *Chen, column 1, lines 40-42; see Bach, column 4, lines 31-35*]. By this rationale **claim 18** is rejected.

Regarding **claim 19**, the combination Batch-Carino -Chen discloses the method of claim 18, further comprising the step of automatically downloading commands from the server upon connection with the server [see *Bach, column 12, lines 50-64*]. The same motivation used for **claim 1** is also valid for **claim 19** [see *Chen, column 1, lines 40-42; see Bach, column 4, lines 31-35*]. By this rationale **claim 19** is rejected.

Regarding **claim 20**, the combination Batch-Carino -Chen discloses the method of claim 18, wherein the server includes an application registration service [see *Bach, column 5, lines 34-64; column 10, lines 47-67*]. The same motivation used for **claim 1** is also valid for **claim 20** [see *Chen, column 1, lines 40-42; see Bach, column 4, lines 31-35*]. By this rationale **claim 20** is rejected.

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Regarding **claim 21**, the combination Batch-Carino -Chen discloses a computer readable medium containing an HTTP based software command line interface tool, comprising:

a predetermined set of commands for executing tasks [see *Bach*, column 17, lines 3-67]; and

a protocol for automatic connection with a remote session and management of such connection, including downloading of commands from a server of the remote session [see *Chen*, column 8, lines 5-61];

wherein the interface tool enables a client to add new interface commands to the interface tool and remotely execute the new interface commands [see *Chen*, column 8, lines 5-61]. The same motivation used for **claim 1** is also valid for **claim 21** [see *Chen*, column 1, lines 40-42; see *Bach*, column 4, lines 31-35]. By this rationale **claim 21** is rejected.

Regarding **claim 22**, the combination Batch-Carino -Chen discloses a computer readable medium containing a software tool for executing a method in an electronic server device in communication with a network for interacting with a client, the method comprising the steps of:

downloading a file containing CLI registration information to the client [see *Bach*, column 10, lines 27-58; column 17, lines 1-12]; and

receiving at least one update from the client [see *Bach*, column 11, lines 9-21]. containing at least one user-defined CLI command [see *Chen*, column 7, lines 25-42; column 9, lines 2-27]. The same motivation used for **claim 1** is also valid for **claim 22**

[see Chen, column 1, lines 40-42; see Bach, column 4, lines 31-35]. By this rationale **claim 22** is rejected.

Regarding **claim 24**, the combination Batch-Carino -Chen discloses a computer readable medium containing a software tool for executing a method in an electronic client device for interacting with a server, the method comprising the steps of:

 sending a request from a command line interface of a command line interface client to a server[*fig. 4, item 100, 403; column 5, lines 35-67; column 6, lines 1-41*]; and

 receiving a response to the request at the command line interface client, such that the command line interface client can present a user with the response[*fig. 4, item 100, 403; column 5, lines 35-67; column 6, lines 1-41*];

 wherein the command line interface client utilizes at least one of commands originating at the client [see *Chen, column 7, lines 25-42; column 9, lines 2-27*] and commands originating at the server [see *Bach, column 11, lines 9-21*]. The same motivation used for **claim 1** is also valid for **claim 24** [see Chen, column 1, lines 40-42; see Bach, column 4, lines 31-35]. By this rationale **claim 24** is rejected.

Response to Arguments

6. Applicant's Request for Reconsideration filed on 12/22/2005 has been carefully considered but is not deemed fully persuasive. However, because there exists the likelihood of future presentation of this argument, the Examiner thinks that it is prudent to address Applicants' main points of contention.

A. Applicants submit that the combination of Bach and Carino does not teach or suggest the limitation of "sending an update file containing at least one user-defined CLI command to the server" with respect to claim 6.

B. The prior art of record does not teach or suggest mapping a request to an instance of an object class, as required by claims 10, and 23 .

C. Applicant contends that Batch, Carino, and Chen do not disclose that one client sending a server an update file and another client downloading the same update file.

7. As to "Point A" it is the position of the Examiner that the combination of Batch and Carino in detail teaches the limitations of "sending an update file containing at least one user-defined CLI command to the server". However, in view of Applicant's remarks, stating that both Batch and Carino do not teaches this limitation of the claim the Examiner has made an effort to point out the sections of the prior art that disclose this limitation [see *Batch*, column 14, lines 45-67; column 15, lines 1-26,].

As to "Point B", it is the position of the Examiner that the combination of Batch and Carino in detail teaches the limitations of "mapping a request to an instance of class object" (see *Batch*; column 6, lines 30-61).

As to pint C, see point A above.

Examiner notes with delight that no new matter has been added and that the new claims are supported by the application as filed. However, applicant has failed in presenting claims and drawings that delineate the contours of this invention as compared to the cited prior art. Applicant has failed to clearly point out patentable novelty in view of the state of the art disclosed by the references cited that would overcome the 102(e) anticipation and the 103(a) rejections applied against the claims, the rejection is therefore sustained.

Conclusion

8. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than **SIX MONTHS** from the date of this final action.

9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from examiner should be directed to Jude Jean-Gilles whose telephone number is (571) 272-3914. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday and every other Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Wiley, can be reached on (571) 272-3923. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-9000.

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